

MARKED-UP COPIES OF AMENDED CLAIMS,  
SHOWING CHANGES RELATIVE TO PREVIOUS VERSION

Claim 4 (amended). Direct current machine as claimed in [one of Claims 1 to 3] Claim 1, characterised in that the two commutators (18a; 18b) are arranged on the rotor shaft (24) outside the end walls (14a; 14b) of the housing (12) accommodating the rotor (26).

Claim 7 (amended). Direct current machine as claimed in [one of Claims 1 to 6] Claim 1, characterised in that in order to reduce the number of pairs of commutator sliding contacts (42; 50) arranged offset from one another in the peripheral direction, contact elements (40), which are associated with one another and are offset from one another in the peripheral direction, are electrically connected together.

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